GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
SHIPPING
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BLUE PRINT FOR SMALL PORTS
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Will the Minister of SHIPPING be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Union Government have formulated a blue print to develop small ports in the entire Indian Peninsula to promote coastal shipping;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Union Government have appointed consultants to study the location of ports;

(d) if so, the details submitted by them specially with regard to the locations identified in Gujarat ;

(e) whether the Union Government have fixed any time-frame for the development of these small ports; and

(f) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SHIPPING (SHRI DILIPKUMAR MANSUKHLAL GANDHI)

(a): No Sir.

(b): Does not arise.

(c) & (d): M/s. Tata Consultancy Services have been awarded a study on development of coastal shipping and minor ports. The terms of reference of the study include identification of sites for possible establishment of ports for use by coastal shipping. The Agreement with the Consultant has been signed on 28.2.2003. The report of the Consultant, whichis to be submitted by the Consultant within seven months of award of the study, is awaited.

(e): No, Sir.

(f): Does not arise.